19. Furthermore, the Committee welcomed ongoing alignment activities by its Working Parties, in response to its invitation to its subsidiary bodies to take follow-up actions to align their work with the ITC strategy (ECE/TRANS/288, paras. 15 (a) and (c)) and decided to request the secretariat, in close cooperation with the Working Parties and in consultation with the Bureau to prepare a report on alignment activities of WPs and possible future activity for the consideration of the Committee at its eighty-third session.
Implementation of the ITC decision

Status and next step

Related to the tasks of the strategy and decisions related to the adoption of the strategy
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5.16 Identify, foster and facilitate the introduction of new technologies in the rail, road, road-based mobility, inland waterway, logistics, intermodal transport until 2030.

Under WP.5 and in the framework of a project funded by ISDB the International Transport Infrastructure Observatory was developed on a Geographical Information System (GIS). The main objectives of the Observatory are:

- Accommodate and integrate all information/data concerning transport infrastructure/corridors/projects etc being elaborated and generated by the Division including all transport infrastructure projects (EATL, TEM & TER etc) agreements (AGR, AGC etc) and groups of experts reports (climate change adaptation, benchmarking transport infrastructure construction costs);

- Serve as an electronic regional connectivity tool to bring together all transport corridors/networks initiative especially along the Euro-Asian continents (TRACECA, CAREC) and not only (ESGWA).

1. Continue the implementation of the Observatory, the tool that integrates the work of the Division, promotes interregional connectivity and facilitates financing of new transport infrastructure projects.

2. Update of the AGC/AGTC tool on transport infrastructure parameters.

3. Continue considering and supporting technical/technological developments in road, rail, inland waterway and intermodal transport.


5. Continue the work on telematics under the umbrella of

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Cluster on transport infrastructure data

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WP.5 supports this priority task. One of the key clusters of work of WP.5 is on the development of transport networks and/or links. Under this cluster, WP.5 is considering how to further support operationalization of Euro-Asian Transport Links. WP.5 has served for over 15 years as the parent body to the EATL project as well as to the TEM and TER and other related projects and initiatives.

WP.5 is consulting other relevant WPs on this workflow.

As part of this work, and further to decisions of ITC and the ITC Bureau, the WP.24 secretariat together with ESCAP secretariat organized a forum on sustainable transport connectivity between Europe and Asia in the framework of the 62nd session of WP.24 (28 Oct-1 Nov 2019).

In the future, in line with its mandate, terms of reference and solid track records of achievements in this field, WP.5 could continue to serve as a platform for the promotion of interregional transport. In this regard, an annually (or bi-annually) recurring

1. Continue and further strengthen regular dialogues and hold regular fora on interregional transport connectivity in WP.5.
2. Further support operationalization of Euro-Asian and other transport corridors by offering a platform for coordinated actions among Governments and private sector, e.g. based on the SITCIN project.
3. Continue to prepare publications and studies and organize targeted capacity building in support of the connectivity work.

Cluster on development of transport networks and/or links

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WP.5 in aligning its work programme with the Strategy included in it the cluster on sustainable urban mobility. Under this cluster, WP.5 works on sustainable transport and urban mobility. WP.5 prepared a Handbook on Sustainable Urban Mobility and Planning.

THE PEP (not a subsidiary body of ITC) focuses as per its mandate on specific elements of urban mobility. There are ongoing cross divisional activities on circular economy and green transport.

The secretariat is implementing the recommendations for ForFITS following its evaluation during the 2014-2018 period. Interactions with existing modelling groups and modelling tools is being sought to strengthen ForFITS modelling capabilities with minimal resources while ensuring consistency of results between various tools.

1. Continue work on sustainable transport and urban mobility with renewed focus through WP.24.
2. Continue applying ForFITS.
3. Establish GoE on intermodal passenger transport under WP 24 (please see also 4.1).
4. Continue to provide support to THE PEP.
5. Report annually to ITC on transport aspects related to the circular economy and green transport.
6. Review green transport initiatives within a working party bringing together the initiatives of the division.

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Cluster on sustainable urban mobility

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5.24 Assess the impact of climate change on transport infrastructure

WP.5 supports this priority action. WP.5 published a report on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for International Transport Networks in February 2020 prepared by its Group of Experts on Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation for Transport Networks and Nodes. The work is to continue and to be further expanded in 2020-2025 by the group of experts on assessment of climate change impacts and adaptation for inland transport.

Continue and further expand the work on climate change impacts on transport during 2020-25 mandate of the group of experts on assessment of climate change impacts and adaptation for inland transport (EGCCIA).

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